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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SERIAL NO. 09/839,760)	ART UNIT: TO BE ASSIGNED
FILED: APRIL 20, 2001)	EXAMINER: TO BE ASSIGNED
FOR: CIGARETTE FILTERS OF SHAPED)	
MICRO CAVITY FIBERS)	
IMPREGNATED WITH FLAVORANT)	
MATERIALS)	

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(37 CFR 1.56 AND 1.97-1.98)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)(3) and in an effort to comply with applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, the following information is hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner.

No additional fee is due. I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from the PCT office in a related PCT application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement. I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Disclosure Statement was not known three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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No additional fee is due. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, including any fees required for an additional extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, such an extension is requested and the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

Respectfully submitted,

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